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- (2) Determine, based on evidence in the form of documentation provided by your group, that:
- (i) Your group needs a waiver because providing the match would be a financial hardship to your group (for example, your local economy is depressed and coming up with in-kind contributions would be difficult); and
- (ii) The waiver is necessary to help your community participate in selecting a remedial action at the site.

(b) If your group receives a waiver of the matching funds after your initial award, your grant agreement must be amended.

HOW MUCH MONEY TAGS PROVIDE

§ 35.4060 How much money can my group receive through a TAG?

The following table shows how much money your group can receive through a TAG:

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Then your initial award will . . .

(a) the first recipient of a TAG at a site or a subsequent recipient at a site where the initial recipient spent the entire award amount.

not exceed \$50,000 per site.

- (b) a subsequent recipient at a site with remaining funds from an initial \$50,000 award.
- be the unspent amount remaining from an initial from the initial award (for example, if the Agency awarded the first recipient \$50,000 but that recipient only spent \$27,000, then your group's initial award would be \$23,000).

§ 35.4065 How can my group get more than \$50,000?

- (a) The EPA regional office award official for your grant may waive your group's \$50,000 limit if your group demonstrates that:
- (1) If it received previous TAG funds, you managed those funds effectively; and
- (2) Site(s) characteristics indicate additional funds are necessary due to the nature or volume of site-related information. In this case, three of the ten factors below must occur:
- (i) A Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (''RI/FS'') costing more than \$2 million is performed;
- (ii) Treatability studies or evaluation of new and innovative technologies are required as specified in the Record of Decision;
- (iii) EPA reopens the Record of Decision;
- (iv) The site public health assessment (or related activities) indicates the need for further health investigations and/or health promotion activities;
- (v) EPA designates one or more additional operable units after awarding the TAG;

- (vi) The agency leading the cleanup issues an "Explanation of Significant Differences" (ESD);
- (vii) A legislative or regulatory change results in new site information after EPA awards the TAG;
- (viii) EPA expects a cleanup lasting more than eight years from the beginning of the RI/FS through construction completion;
- (ix) Significant public concern exists, where large groups of people in the community require many meetings, copies, etc.; and
- (x) Any other factor that, in EPA's judgment, indicates that the site is unusually complex.
- (b) Your group can also receive more than \$50,000 if you are geographically close to more than one eligible site (for example, two or more sites \times \$50,000 = grant of \$100,000) and your group wishes to receive funding for technical assistance to address multiple eligible sites.